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SECURITY INFORMATION

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Chief, Economic Services Division

Proposed Reorganization of Economic Divisions, O/RR

1. It is proposed that the personnel now comprising the Organizations Branch, D/S, either be transferred to two of the other Economic Divisions, or assigned to new tasks.

2. It is not clear as to how such a transfer in physical location will result in greater efficiency, either to O/RR as a whole, or of the individuals concerned. The Branch, as now staffed, should be able to render efficient service to any of the divisions and, working as a group with access to all source material and in collaboration with the specialists in D/Z, should be more effective than if they were separated into smaller groups.

3. We are informed that D/M has been following for some time, and to some extent, the situation in soft goods. This type of research may well be extended to durables and the same techniques applied under the present leadership. May it not be advisable to make the additional assignment where a portion of the work is now under way.

4. If these suggestions do not seem reasonable and O/RR can be better served under the proposed reorganization, it is recommended that the transfer include Messrs. [REDACTED] who are the most experienced in the necessary research and in all of the areas of responsibility. The remaining members of the Branch, all junior in point of service and experience, may be assigned to fill vacancies now existing in D/S.

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